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Subject: Re: Using the PA page for Dimock documents

The press release was revised around 12:30, showing the new link. It took 10-15 minutes to go through the system.

Yes, I too shook my head yesterday when I heard "EPA can't be seen as connecting our Dimock decisions with HF," but keeping the references to the study and the national benefits of natural gas. Oh, well, as Gov Perry said about Newt yesterday, "Who among us is perfect?"

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Jeffrey says that Brendan told him that he (Brendan) did not authorize the link to OSC. I recommended to Jeffrey that it be removed, even though the link has been there for a day or so and probably went out to all the reporters on our press release listserv. The link still seems to be there -- are you guys going to remove it?

I assumed that no one wanted to connect HF to the drinking water contamination in Dimock. But then why does the LAST paragraph of the release say "At the direction of Congress, and separate from this limited sampling, EPA has begun a national study on the potential impacts of hydraulic fracturing on drinking water resources"? Hmmmm... what's with that? Why mention HF at all?

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Christine, I hid a giggle this morning when Mick Kulik told me that Brendan had changed his mind, that he wanted us to find a more suitable place to link the Dimock documents released yesterday via the OSC.org site. All I said was that I agreed with Brendan, knowing that your strong views carried the day.

For the moment, at least, we're linking to the two documents--our RA told us to temporarily withdraw a third, the factsheet--from our Pa. page. My initial thought was to link to it from our existing "key M.S. documents" page, **Ex. 5 - Deliberative**

Ex. 5 - Deliberative (Of course, every resulting article doesn't need more than one paragraph to make the connection.) I of course respect their judgment, and am grateful that you quickly convinced Brendan to kibosh use of osc.org. We also just revised the news release to show the epa.gov link for document access. We may do something different--at least to create a temporary heading on the Pa. page-- if the Dimock document list grows too much.

Your advice as this develops is of course much appreciated. Had I been consulted earlier yesterday as the Dimock

outreach plans were evolving among R3 and Hq, I'd have discouraged osc.org before it was decided (pardon the passive voice) to use it.
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